

Ocean Pines Golf Advisory Committee

May Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: May 18, 2023

Time: 2:00pm

Location: OP Golf Clubhouse, large meeting room

Members Present: Bill Bavis, Bob Beckelman, Frank Brown, John Ferinde, Fritz Lahner, Bob Long, Pete Maleki, Dave McGregor, Susan Morris, Ann Shockley

Agenda:

- I. Call to Order, Frank Brown- the meeting was called to order at 2:03pm
- II. Public Comments-there were no public comments
- III. Approved Minutes- The April meeting minutes were approved by 1st motion-Fritz Lahner, 2nd motion Bob Long
- IV. Course Conditions Update, Justin Hartshorn, Course Superintendent – No report. Members commented that the course conditions are “beautiful”.
- V. Golf Management Report, Bob Beckelman-Bob reported that the OPLGA had a very successful Opening Day and that the ladies’ Member/Member event was coming up. The OPMGA also had a very successful Opening Day. There has been quite a bit of package play this Spring, but Bob B. pledged to make sure that residents and golf members would be able to obtain tee times as well. When asked if bad weather cancelled outside play, he stated that as long as the course is playable, package players play and the course will be paid. New carts have been delivered. The Men’s Senior Championship is coming up. The OP fiscal year for 2022-23 is finishing up and Bob feels the numbers will be great. The ladies and men leagues – both are up in their membership.
- VI. Golf Group Reports
 - a. Members Council, Bob Long –Bob L. is in the process of awarding \$11,400.00 in scholarships today at Worcester Prep and then at Stephen Decatur High School next week. Some of the criteria considered for the scholarship applicants were being local, golf related, extra curricular activities and grades.
 - b. OPMGA, John Ferinde – The Senior OPMGA Championship is next Thursday (May 25). Super Seniors are members 80 years old and plus, Seniors are aged 50-79.
 - c. OPLGA, Ann Shockley – The ladies are looking forward to Member/Member in June and Member/Guest in July. Five ladies are playing in the WDGA Maple Dale CC mixer June 13 and the nine ladies will be playing in the WDGA Heritage Hills GC mixer July 12.

Old Business

- I. OP Day Workgroup Committee Meeting, Ann Shockley

Ann reported that the meeting was postponed until June 22 in order to allow committee members to contact clubs and groups in Ocean Pines as to their participation in the OP Day event in 2024.

- II. Approved course beautification project update, Frank Brown - #1 tee- and #7 green – are complete. Frank Brown has Sea Oats ornamental grasses available for other projects. Other concerns are restroom signs for bathrooms on #5 are needed. A ball washer for #1 tee would be a good idea to start the course.

New Business

- I. Suggestions for improvements in course playability
 - a. Justin Hartshorn would like to develop a new tee box for the gold tees on #7.
- II. Other concerns and ideas - Bob Long asked about consideration for different types of membership packages that could be offered for the golf course. He was advised to talk with Bob Beckelman. It was also suggested that Bob Long get with Joe Lynch to discuss different types of membership packages. Frank Brown suggested that Bob B. would have statistics about player numbers for this past year that might help to aid in this discussion.

Adjourn – Fritz Lahner made a motion the adjourn the meeting, Susan Morris seconded it. The meeting was adjourned at 2:34 pm